

DIARY NOTES

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5 February 1964

1. Brigadier General William W. Harris (Ret.) and Robert L. Woolfolk, Vice President of Recognition Equipment, Inc., were in for lunch. I arranged for them to see Joe Becker tomorrow.

2. I talked with Bob Fuchs about the move of the Office of Finance to the 2430 E Street complex and about some of the other organizational changes which should be decided as a matter of urgency because of this move. I said that there were at least three important things which had been in the mill for some time and that I felt strongly this was definitely the time to make a decision with regard to these three items. They are: (a) the consolidation of the Confidential Funds and Fiscal Divisions; (b) the organization of a central unit to process travel vouchers; and (c) the decentralization of certifying authority to area divisions. Bob was definitely in favor of the consolidation of the Confidential Funds and Fiscal Divisions and assured me that this would be done coincident with the move. He doubted the wisdom of complete decentralization of certifying authority to the area divisions and will submit a paper to me on this subject. I gave him two weeks, but he said that he could do it in less time. He was also in favor of a consolidated unit to process travel vouchers if the unit could remain in this building; if not, he thought that it would serve little purpose, with which view I am inclined to agree. I told him that I would give him a decision on this. H

3. I talked with Jim Garrison and [REDACTED] about the recent 25X1A9a flap involving a protracted delay in the procurement of devices to destroy the KW-26 coreboards. I emphasized to them that I attributed this delay to a lack of good and proper communications between the working level personnel in the Offices of Communications and Logistics, and I charged each of them with ensuring that this situation is improved.

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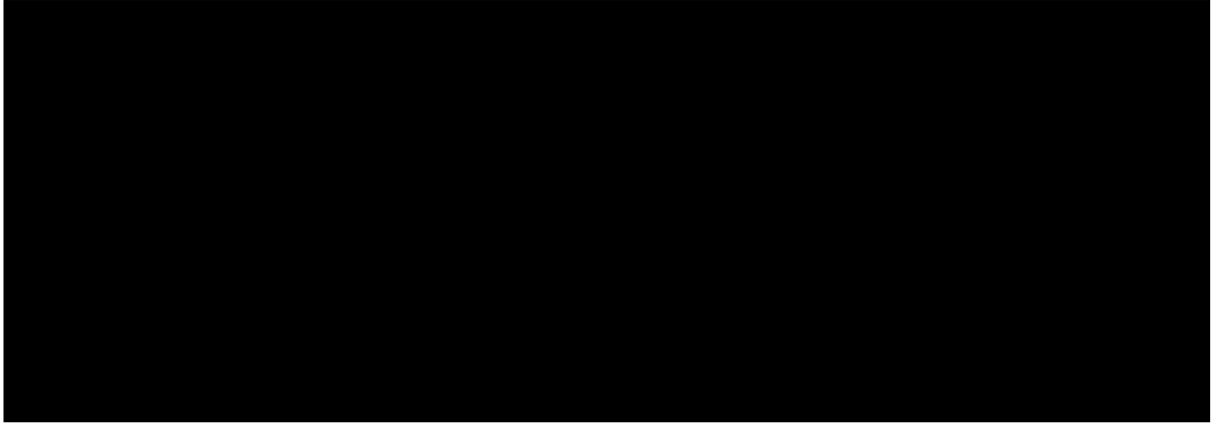
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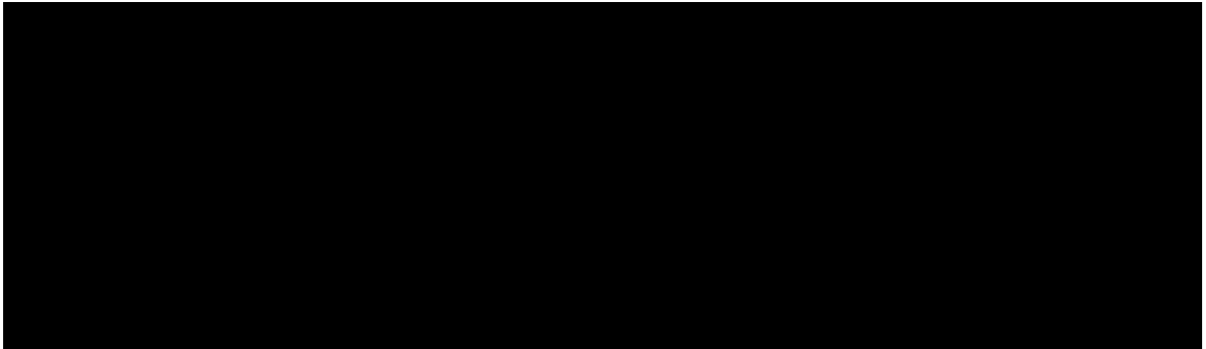
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7. Jack Earman spoke to me about [REDACTED] a finance officer in [REDACTED] where the Audit Staff has uncovered some serious irregularities. I talked to Bob Fuchs about this and asked him to come up with a specific report and recommendations as soon as possible. ✓

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